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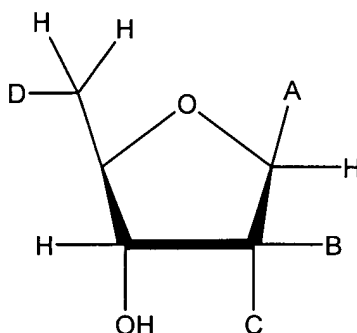
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Amendments to the claims

Please cancel Claims 6-9, 12, 13, 16-21, 31, 32 without prejudice to applicants' right to pursue prosecution of these claims in a later-filed continuation or divisional application, amend Claims 1-3 and 34-37, and add new Claims 38-42, as follows.

1. (currently amended). A compound represented by the formula:



wherein

A is a an N-linked nicotinamide group, a an N-linked unsubstituted pyridyl group, a an N-linked substituted pyridyl group, a an N-linked unsubstituted pyrimidyl group, an O-linked unsubstituted phenyl group, an O-linked substituted phenyl group, an O-linked unsubstituted pyridyl group, an O-linked substituted pyridyl group, an O-linked unsubstituted pyrimidyl group, an S-linked unsubstituted phenyl group, an S-linked substituted phenyl group, an S-linked unsubstituted pyridyl group, an S-linked substituted pyridyl group, or an S-linked unsubstituted pyrimidyl group;

B is hydrogen, or a halogen, amino, or thiol group;

C is hydrogen, or a halogen, amino, or thiol group; and

D is a primary alcohol, hydrogen, or

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an oxygen, nitrogen, carbon, or sulfur linked to  
phosphate, a phosphoryl group, a pyrophosphoryl group, or  
adenosine monophosphate through a phosphodiester or carbon-, nitrogen-, or sulfur-  
substituted phosphodiester bridge, or to  
adenosine diphosphate through a phosphodiester or carbon-,  
nitrogen-, or sulfur-substituted pyrophosphodiester bridge.

2 (currently amended). The compound of claim 1, wherein A is an N-linked  
~~aryl group~~ nicotinamide group, an N-linked unsubstituted pyridyl group, an N-linked  
substituted pyridyl group or an N-linked unsubstituted pyrimidyl group.

3 (currently amended). The compound of claim 2, wherein A is a an N-linked  
nicotinamide group, an N-linked unsubstituted pyridyl group or a an N-linked  
substituted pyridyl group.

4 (original). The compound of claim 3, which is a nicotinamide 2'-deoxyriboside.

5 (original). The compound of claim 3, which is  $\beta$ -1'-nicotinamide-2'-  
deoxyribose,  $\beta$ -D-1'-nicotinamide-2'-deoxyribofuranoside,  $\beta$ -1'-pyridyl-2'-deoxyribose, or  
5'-phospho-1'-pyridyl-deoxyribose.

6-9 (canceled).

10 (original). The compound of claim 1, wherein both B and C are hydrogen, or  
either B or C is a halogen, amino, or thiol group and the other of B or C is hydrogen.

11 (original). The compound of claim 2, wherein both B and C are hydrogen, or  
either B or C is a halogen, amino, or thiol group and the other of B or C is hydrogen.

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12-13 (canceled).

14 (original). The compound of claim 1, wherein D is a primary alcohol or hydrogen.

15 (original). The compound of claim 2, wherein D is a primary alcohol or hydrogen.

16-29 (canceled).

30 (previously presented). The compound of claim 3, wherein both B and C are hydrogen, or either B or C is a halogen, amino, or thiol group and the other of B or C is hydrogen.

31-32 (canceled).

33 (previously presented). The compound of claim 3, wherein D is a primary alcohol or hydrogen.

34 (currently amended). The compound of claim 4 10, wherein D is a primary alcohol or hydrogen.

35 (currently amended). The compound of claim 5 11, wherein D is a primary alcohol or hydrogen.

36 (currently amended). A pharmaceutical composition comprising the compound of claim 3 1 and a pharmaceutically-acceptable carrier.

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37 (currently amended). A pharmaceutical composition comprising the compound of claim 4 2 and a pharmaceutically-acceptable carrier.

38 (new). A pharmaceutical composition comprising the compound of claim 3 and a pharmaceutically-acceptable carrier.

39 (new). A pharmaceutical composition comprising the compound of claim 4 and a pharmaceutically-acceptable carrier.

40 (new). A pharmaceutical composition comprising the compound of claim 5 and a pharmaceutically-acceptable carrier.

41 (new). A pharmaceutical composition comprising the compound of claim 10 and a pharmaceutically-acceptable carrier.

42 (new). A pharmaceutical composition comprising the compound of claim 11 and a pharmaceutically-acceptable carrier.